

New Gym Included in 1937 Budget

Alumni Guests Of Fitchburg Today

Today the Senior Class is host to about forty Alumni who return to observe a routine college day. Each Alumnus has a senior guide who is accompanying him or her about the college. It is an informal affair in which the visitors may come to our classes, walk about the grounds, see slides and motion pictures in the assembly hall, in brief, watch us as we are. It is seen that through general observation the Alumni may fairly compare it with that of their undergraduate years.

The following are the names of the visiting Alumni:

Selina Bradley
Mabel H. Clark
Alice M. Rathburn
Bessie L. Nichols
Gordon Phillips
Emile Johnson

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Goons Organizing Team

Ladies and Gentlemen—Presenting the Goons for 1936: Mahoney, Jeffrey, McNeil, Foye, Carey, Rush, Waring, Busby, Bauer, and Geddes.

This organization since its creation three years ago, has been a leader in the social and athletic life of the college.

All indications point to a banner year. The squad has been strengthened by the acquisition of Busby and Bauer (these men were acquired from Abe Beleson in exchange for a bladeless knife without a handle) and Bob Geddes of the Freshman class.

The team has just purchased new

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\$200,000 Requested for Most Modern of Buildings

Has the Approval and Backing of Commissioner Reardon

Mr. James Reardon, Commissioner of Education, has definitely approved the recommendation of President Herlihy that the sum of \$200,000 be included in the budget requests of the Department of Education for 1937—this for the erection of a gymnasium at the State Teachers College in Fitchburg.

Tentative sketches reveal a standard size college gym, containing all the equipment necessary for a full and varied recreational program.

The sanction of the Committee on Administration and Finance, followed by that of the Governor, is expected by the end of the year. It is anticipated that the necessary funds will be appropriated by the legislature early in 1937.

The building will be located on the South end of the athletic field. It will contain separate facilities for men and women, with special quarters for visiting teams. A large recreational hall is planned—serving as a student center for indoor games and miscellaneous entertainment. Other inclusions are offices for medical examinations, hygiene classroom, teachers' room, and equipment closets. The feature, as far as commuters are concerned, is a lunch room large enough to accommodate two hundred students.

An appropriation will be made at the same time for the resurfacing of the entire athletic field.

Students Also Build Castles In The Air

In the comparison of the teachers met along the educational ladder, every student develops a code of behavior to which his various teachers must adhere in order to keep "in the running." As a sequel to a column of faculty opinion concerning the "student ideal", we present a number of student comments on the "teacher ideal".

Question: What do you look for in your teachers?

I look for a cheerfulness that lends a pleasant, healthy aspect to the classroom. —Paul Foye

I like a teacher who is first a human being, and second, a teacher.

—Bradley Leonard

I like the disinterested teacher who has a deep understanding of his students and who lives his subject.

—Leonard Nisula

Sincere and personal interest in their subjects and enough enthusiasm to arouse and maintain the students'

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Gavs Schedule Carl Sandburg For April

The Gaveleers Society deems it a great honor to announce that it will present a talk by Carl Sandburg in the College assembly hall some evening in April.

The Society is indeed fortunate in contracting such a personality, for Sandburg is, without a doubt, one of America's foremost poets, and can certainly make a definite and worthwhile contribution to us.



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Editorial

Is the Debating Club a dead organization? Do its officers slumber purposefully, or do they rest on past laurels, if such there be? I hope the answer is "no" in both cases; yet, I can only wait for evidence that it deserves a place among our extra-curricular activities.

New members must be secured, providing talent for future debates; new contacts must be made in order to extend the Club possibilities; and, above all, the officers themselves must awaken—at the moment they are at peace.

Or, shall we prepare the funeral pyre?
 —Donald Lytle

Orchestra

At a brief meeting of the orchestra held Tuesday, it was decided that the regular rehearsal period should be on Wednesday, from 12:30 to 1:30. By special arrangement, members will be excused from the first twenty minutes of the 1:15 class.

Under the new schedule, only two unexcused absences from rehearsal will be allowed to each member in a semester.

Membership is still open, and those joining now will be eligible for one semester hour of credit.

The Ash Tray

BACK FOR ANOTHER fling, after my questionable reception two weeks ago. And then this English fellow last week. With him around, I might better stick to bedtime stories.

The most futile of all commands: Go now and be funny, gossipy, clever, and correct for some three hundred consecutive words.

But I rally all my brass, beg that you be indulgent, and set to the task.

PEOPLE WHO WEAR their hearts on their sleeves usually attach them with elastic, so that they get them back soon, often, and with considerable force.* The fellow who last year played the lead in a number of Mr. Harrington's sleeping-in-class stories is as a sophomore carrying on in assembly. Did you hear that solitary snore rend the air during a recent piano recital? While we're on the subject of sleeping, might that editorial have been right in its implication that some of our assemblies are deficient interest? Who can name the four freshmen who have already established themselves in Fitchburg night life? Somebody was telling me about a certain dormitory where there has been some clamping down on that sort of thing this year.

GOSSIP IS GOSSIP anywhere; Palmer—Miller gossip differs from the ordinary only as fire in celluloid scrap differs from fire in grass, as microscopic study differs from unaided vision.* Met William McAulay the other day in a downpour. Bill is teaching at the Oakdale School.* Mental health is the ability to say "I flunked three of my finals" with a chuckle. A pussy-bumper is one who, knowing that bread always lands with the unbuttered side up, butters both sides. A co-ed is an obliging, yet cruel creature, who in a pinch might even darn your socks for you, and then walk you five miles on the resulting blisters.* Delightful embarrassment: anticipating an instructor's joke.

WUN LUNG FOOEY says: Adapt-

ability is the sire of all the virtues.

COMMENTS to the contrary notwithstanding, our assembly hall piano is quite adequate—for playing chopsticks.* The Dramatic Club under George Carey is no longer the angry ocean of former days, but a quiet sunlit bay, where laughing waves beat good-naturally against the rocks.* Flo Lovell: Boots and her buddies.* A person may be said to be intellectually adult when he appreciates how much more significant "It works out this way" is than "This is what it is".

—Paul Haire

THE GOONS

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uniforms, and will floor a very classy outfit for their first game against the Goon Alumni led by Cocko Deady, the Goons' first coach.

Manager Stupe Anderson has arranged a stiff schedule which will be released shortly. Trainer "One Lung" Comeau reports the boys are in tip-top condition, so that nothing remains to be done except Coach Buck McNeil's molding of another fine team to carry on as those illustrious Goons of the past have done.

Goodby Jack Frost

Within the next few weeks the banishment of Jack Frost from Hastings Observatory will be an accomplished fact, with the installation of a new heating system.

Now, to one who spends his days in the sometimes all too warm halls of Palmer, Miller, and the administration building, this may not seem highly significant; but those who really know the greenhouse will realize that heat has at times been a rare commodity there. Paul Goodwin now confesses to his taking advantage of Al Harris' fear of high places by taking the upper bunk thus obliging Al to take care of the windows when the temperature reached a point dangerous to life.

The new plant will be in three units, permitting the whole building to be heated, whereas only a third of it was heated formerly. Work will begin within the next three weeks.

CASTLES IN THE AIR

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interests. —*Marjory Harkness*

I like an instructor with enthusiasm, wide background, and a philosophy of his own. —*Morris Somes*

My opinion of what a teacher should strive to be is a well-informed, broad-minded, yet practical, idealist, with a personality which both impresses and invites inquiry.

—*Robert Geddes*

I look for sincerity, tolerance, and generosity-- breeders of the best in ideas and attitudes.

—*Lawrence Buttrick*

ALUMNI GUESTS

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Ann Dunleavy
Harry Barnicle
Lyman Sleeper
Edward P. Hayes
Ruth O'Donnell
Mary Duffy
Mrs. Howard Shea
Walter D. Pierce
William McConnell
Edward Steaur
Dean Johnson
Elsie Dickerman
Mary Hayes
May Gallagher
Cora Dolan
Robert Hamilton
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Robert Quirk
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Winifred Dodge
Mary Sheehan
Mary Mullaney
Elizabeth Lincoln
Daisy Learned
Margaret Shea
Alice Davis
Grace Wray
Edward Skelly
Mary Healy
Nicklas Boylston
William O'Brien
Chester Donovan
Armas Fillback
Aimo Tettimen

Assembly Notes

Colonel Furlong noted traveler and lecturer, made his annual address at the assembly October 20. This year his subject was "Lawrence of Arabia".

After Colonel Furlong's speech, Mr. DeCordavis spoke about the historical museum recently established at Lincoln, Mass.

On Thursday, Oct 29, Mr. Joshua Lieberman, director of the Robinson Crusoe Camp at Sturbridge, Mass., spoke on "Progressive Education."

Traditional education, he said, has as its aim the training of children to perpetuate the society into which they are born. Progressive education, on the other hand, seeks to develop a critically minded generation, able to make what changes in the social order it sees fit. Mr. Lieberman discussed the enormous implications of these two widely differing concepts and showed how vitally they influence educational theory and practice.

In conclusion, he warned against confusing the terminology of progressive education with progressive education itself.

Teachers' Conventions

On Friday, November 6, the North Worcester County Teachers Association annual convention will be held in Ayer. Mr. Carpenter of the F. T. C. faculty will speak on "Some Educational Yardsticks." This is a discussion of "Some Ways of Evaluating Schools and Teaching." Richard Wilkinson, F. T. C. '36, will sing.

On the same day the Worcester County Teachers Association will hold its convention at Worcester.

Next week is National Education Week. The Teachers College training schools will present programs under the direction of their respective principals. The Edgerly School will entertain on Monday, the Junior High School on Thursday, and the Dillon School on the following Monday.

What Is Your Score?

Who were the six boys dancing in Palmer Hall last Friday night?

Which one of them stretched flat while gracefully (?) waltzing?

Why have there been such horrible noises emanating from room 24 this past week?

What freshman walked out of the dining hall last Saturday noon eating an apple and threw the core on the front lawn?

Who is the sleepy freshman who went walking last Friday afternoon and returned too late for supper?

Who came into the dorm one night and made the suggestion that the college ought to put cushions on the steps of the P. A. building?

Who is the student, for he must be, that gets up at four o'clock every morning to study?

Why did the alarm clock in room 37 ring at two-thirty in the morning?

Who is the freshman that recently told the coach that the reason he didn't take a shower was because he didn't have a towel?

Who is the official college shiek?

Why is there a red light in room 36?

Is it to be seen by the occupants of Miller Hall?

Who was the fellow that drove his girl to the door of Palmer Hall last Thursday night?

Who were the fellows who called all the boys to the first floor under pretense of a meeting to the same? (Some of the boys even getting out of bed.)

Who are the six sophomores who are generally lined up against the wall near the bulletin board?

SOPHS CONQUOR FROSH

Last Friday the grammar frosh answered the challenge of the grammar sophs to a touch football game by sticking to it for some ninety minutes of play in a heavy drizzle, under a crushing lead. The final tally, touch-ball scoring, stood 20-2, in favor of the sophs.

Campus Chatter

Daniels, Creamer, and O'Sheasy challenge anybody, regardless of size and weight, to a game of touch football.

The hunting season must be near; Holly Moore is growing a forest on the dining room table.

"Laundry Unusual" — AND HOW!

The Mohawks initiated their prospective braves. Good luck to you Gavs.

When we get tired of listening to an assembly program, why can't we walk out like the faculty?

We can't print what we know about Jerry because we know that it would not be allowed by the censors.

Busby fooled us last week-end. He went all the way home.

Does Baldwin play tennis for the exercise, or for the variety of opponents?

Who led the cheers for Forgues in the last quarter of the game?

Does Larry Colson understand the situation?

We hear that the telephone calls at Miller Hall are no longer private. The closets have ears.

Interesting Story—Boy (Gardner) meets girl (Miller Hall H. P.)

Deborah's theme song is no longer, "I wanna ring bells".

My! but Peggy Burke must have big feet.

Heard Kal Kansaniva has been hooked at last. He lost his Gav pin.

Grover Howard is doing his best to

date a M. H., but she doesn't like his line.

What's the idea of our Women's Sport's Editor holding down the corners Saturday night.

IMAGINE—if you can

Deb and Hazel voting for Curley.

Joe Mahoney voting for Landon.

Miss Bradt making a two minute speech.

Mr. Davis without his bag.

Holly without Winnie.

Mr. Smith being cross.

Doris Upton being on time for work.

Eleanor Cronin without some candy.

SCOOP says:

"Who is this girl who calls the Track coach Bobby Bun".

"Can it be that our waitress is going for our host. The air is sure charged with electricity even when the hash is passed".

"Is it Rudy or 'Demo' that answers when Miss W calls-'is my boy around'."

"I should say that we Seniors are going high-brow. We're serving tea Friday afternoon from 3 to 4. Imagine Uckie, Holly, and a few more pouring. Just a few bulls in a china shop."

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CROSS COUNTRY

The Cushing Academy cross-country team defeated Fitchburg 27 to 28, when it established a new record for its course at Ashburnham.

The Fitchburg team, led by Stan English, put up a good fight considering the difficult course, and lost only by inches.

Results:

Shepard (C) Time 12:30

Brown (C)

English (F)

Johnson (F)

Aldrich (F)

Page (C)

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